GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS
LOK SABHA

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COMPLAINT AGAINST IBP AND HPCL
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Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a):whether the Government has received complaints against IBP Company Ltd. and Hindustan Petroleum Corporation Ltd. from the land owners of retail outlets being run as COCO or adhoc dealerships regarding alleged cheating by these companies;

(b): if so, the details thereof; and

(c): the action taken by the Government in this regard?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM & NATURAL GAS (SHRI DINSHA PATEL)

(a) to (c): Subsequent to the dismantling of Administered Pricing Mechanism (APM) w.e.f. 1.4.2002, public sector oil marketing companies (OMCs) have been given commercial freedom to choose location, selection of dealership etc. for retail outlets.The Government has no role to play in the selection of location, dealer/land owner, etc. post APM. Complaints received in this regard are forwarded to OMC concerned for redressal as per their grievance redressal mechanism.